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President's Remarks To Patriots of Cuba

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 29 (AP) Here is the text of President Kennedy's remarks today before the Cuban Bay of Pigs invaders:

I want to express my great appreciation to the Brigade for making the United States the custodian of this flag. I can assure you that this flag will be returned to this Brigade in a free Havana.

I wonder if Senor Miranda (who escaped with the Brigade flag to an embassy) who preserved this flag through the last 20 months would come forward so we can meet him? (He did.)

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I wanted to know who I should give it back to.

I always had the impression—I hope the members of the Brigade will sit down again—I always had the impression that the Brigade was made up of mostly young men. But standing over there is a Cuban patriot 57, one 59, one 61. I wonder if those three could stand so that the people of the United States could realize that they represent the spirit of the Cuban revolution in its best sense.

All of you, members of the Brigade and members of their families, are following an historic road, one which has been followed by other Cudescribed it many years ago, as beautiful as Greece, and stretched out in chains, a prison, moated by water.

On behalf of my government and my country, I welcome you to the United States. I bring you my Nation's respect for your courage and for your cause. Our primary gratitude for your liberation must go to the heroic efforts of the Cuban Families Committee, Mr. Sanchez and others, and their able and skilled negotiator. Mr. James Donovan, and those many private American citizens who gave so richly of their time and their energies in order to save free men of Cuba from Castro's dungeons, and to reunite you with your families and friends.

Desire Is Unconquerable

Their efforts had a significance beyond the important desire to salvage individual human beings. For your small Brigade is a tangible reaffirmation that the human desire for freedom and independence is essentially unconquerable. Your conduct and valor are proof that although Castro and his fellow dictators may rule nations, they do not rule people; that they may imprison bodisting.

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Principles We Support

These are the principes of the Alianza Para el Progresso. They are the principles we support for Cuba. These are the principles for which men have died and fought, and they are the principles for which you fought and for which some died in your Brigade. And I believe these are the principles of the great majority of the Cuban people today, and I am confident that divover the island of Cuba, in the government itself, in the army and in the millia there are many who hold to this freedom faith, who have viewed with dismay the destruction of free dom on their island and who are determined to regione that freedom so that the Cuban people may once more govern themselves.

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